

Satellite image with enhanced low cloud-top temperatures (degrees C) for 6:45 a.m. EST (NOAA)

Agricultural Weather Highlights - Friday - June 15, 2001

- **C** In the West, dry, warm weather favors fieldwork and helps to advance crop development, but has elevated crop irrigation requirements.
- **C** On the Plains, showers linger across Montana and the Dakotas but drier weather is allowing fieldwork to resume in hard red winter wheat areas of the central and southern Plains.
- C In the Corn Belt, a strong cold front is expected to generate more locally severe weather today in the Mississippi Valley. Scattered showers are beginning to develop in the Ohio Valley.
- **C** In the South, unsettled weather will produce additional scattered showers and thunderstorms from Texas and the Delta States to the mid-Atlantic. The remnants of Tropical Storm Allison continue to generate locally heavy showers and flooding in eastern North Carolina.

Outlook: A strong cold front will sweep across the *East* during the weekend, finally scouring the remnants of Allison out of the *mid-Atlantic region*. By Sunday, another system is forecast to develop in the *western Corn Belt*, possibly bringing unfavorably cool, wet weather to corn and soybeans in the *upper Midwest*. Elsewhere, warm weather will continue to build over the *Southwest*. Drier weather is expected across the *Southeast*, although beneficial showers are possible over *central Florida*. The NWS 6-10 day outlook for June 20-24 depicts near- to above-normal rainfall throughout the Nation, with the highest likelihood of wet weather from the *Delta and Southeast into New England*. Warmer-than-normal weather is forecast to continue in the *West*, including much of the *central and southern Plains*. Cooler-than-normal weather will be confined to *northernmost sections of New England*.

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